

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Traffic downtown will be particularly heavy Wednesday as football fans head to LP Field for the 2:30 p.m. Music City Bowl game between Vanderbilt and Boston College.

The same traffic management plan as that used for Titans games will be in effect. The Woodland Street Bridge will close to regular traffic by 12 noon. It will then be open only to shuttle buses and pedestrians through the conclusion of the game.

Fans planning on attending the game are encouraged to arrive early and should keep in mind that only those with parking passes will be allowed to park on the LP Field campus. Parking passes are \$15 and are being sold through the Bowl office. Fans can call 743-3130 for more information.

Fans without parking passes who drive to the stadium campus will be diverted to the downtown area to find available parking. Fans without parking passes are strongly urged to avoid traffic jams and delays by parking in the downtown area and taking a short walk to LP Field via the Woodland Street Bridge or the Shelby Street Pedestrian Bridge. In addition, Gray Line will operate public shuttle buses beginning at 12:30 p.m. and continuing until kickoff from Greer Stadium and the Renaissance Hotel downtown. The cost is \$10.

Gates at LP Field will open at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday. Stadium parking lots will open at 8 a.m. to fans with parking passes.

Tuesday night, certain streets downtown will be closed for the bowl's annual Battle of the Bands on 2nd Avenue North featuring the bands from Vanderbilt and Boston College. The following streets will be closed for much of Tuesday night, beginning at 5 p.m.:

2nd Avenue North from Union Street to Broadway

1st Avenue North from Union Street to Demonbreun Street

Broadway westbound from 1st to 3rd Avenues

2nd Avenue South from Demonbreun Street to Broadway

Commerce Street from just east of the parking garage exit near 3rd Avenue

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